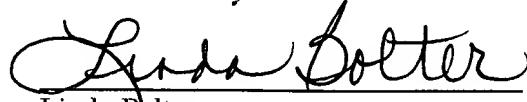


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Commissioner:

Please amend the inventorship of the above-identified patent application to include Mark Wynkoop. The named inventors should now be Kevin Woehr, Manfred Orth, and Mark Wynkoop.

The addition of Mark Wynkoop as an inventor is necessitated by the addition of new claims added by means of a Preliminary Amendment filed on May 29, 2002. The inventorship error occurred without deceptive intent on Mark Wynkoop's part.

The following documents are being submitted herewith in support of the amendment:

1. Consent of Assignee;
2. Declaration by Named Inventors;
3. Declaration by Added Inventor;
4. Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Applications - Mark Wynkoop; and

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5. Duplicate Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Applications - Kevin Woehr and Manfred Orth.

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